

***LAFOURCHE CROSSING 308 VOLUNTEER
FIRE COMPANY, INC.***

Lafourche Parish, Louisiana

General Purpose Financial Statements

As of and for the year ended December 31, 2002



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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

3-31-03

(Date)

Office of Legislative Auditor
Attention: Ms. Dorothy Milner
1600 North Third
Post Office Box 94397
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9397

Dear Ms. Milner:

In accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 24:514, enclosed are
the annual financial statements for the:

LAFOURCHE CROSSING 308 VOLUNTEER
FIRE COMPANY, INC.
Lafourche Parish, Louisiana

as of and for the year ended December 31, 2002. The report
includes all funds under control and oversight of the department.
The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in
accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Sincerely,

Wade J. Knight

Name: Wade Knight

Title: Treasurer

Enclosure

**LAFOURCHE CROSSING 308 VOLUNTEER
FIRE COMPANY, INC.
Lafourche Parish, Louisiana**

**ANNUAL SWORN FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND CERTIFICATION OF REVENUES \$50,000 OR LESS
As of and for the year ended December 31, 2002**

The annual sworn financial statements are required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:514 to be filed with the Office of Legislative Auditor within 90 days after the close of the fiscal year. The certification of revenues \$50,000 or less, if applicable, is required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513(I)(I)(c)(i).

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A F F I D A V I T

Personally came and appeared before the undersigned authority, Wade Knight, who, duly sworn, deposes and says that the financial statements herewith given present fairly the financial position of the:

LAFOURCHE CROSSING 308 VOLUNTEER
FIRE COMPANY, INC.
Lafourche Parish, Louisiana

as of December 31, 2002 and the results of operations for the year then ended, in accordance with the basis of accounting described within the accompanying financial statements.

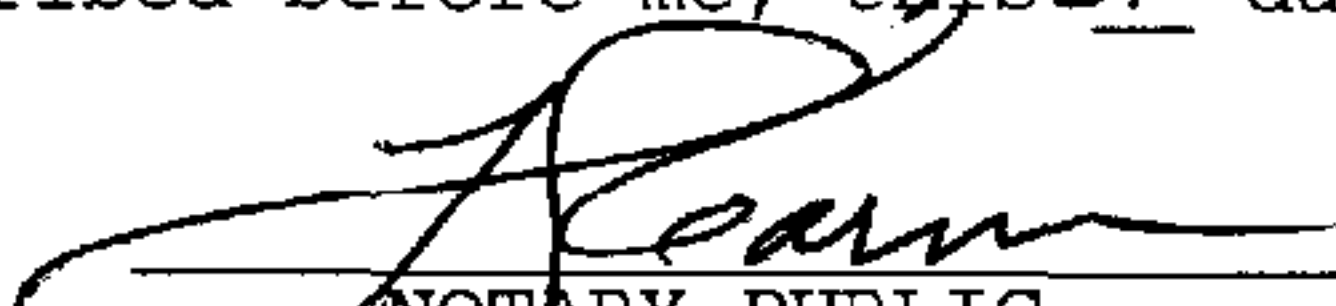
In addition, Wade Knight, who, duly sworn, deposes and says that the:

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received \$50,000 or less in revenues and other sources for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2002, and, accordingly, is not required to have an audit for the previously mentioned fiscal year-end.


Signature

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 31 day of MARCH, 2003.


NOTARY PUBLIC

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Officer _____

Address _____

Telephone No. _____



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S COMPILATION REPORT

**To the Board
LAFOURCHE CROSSING 308 VOLUNTEER
FIRE COMPANY, INC.
Lafourche Parish, Louisiana**

We have compiled the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the LAFOURCHE CROSSING 308 VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY, INC., as of December 31, 2002, and for the year then ended. The financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles as applied to governmental units.

A compilation is limited to presenting in the form of financial statements information that is the representation of management. We have not audited or reviewed the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on them.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'T.S. Kearns', is written over a horizontal line.

March 25, 2003

TIMOTHY S. KEARNS
MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

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ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS**

**Balance Sheet
December 31, 2002**

	GOVERNMENTAL FUND GENERAL FUND	ACCOUNT GROUP GENERAL FIXED ASSETS	TOTAL (MEMORANDUM ONLY)
ASSETS			
Cash checking 10097805	\$ 12,615.70		\$ 12,615.70
Cash checking 3426493	2,542.17		2,542.17
Tower Gold savings	78,930.61		78,930.61
Land, building & equipment		\$ 326,720.54	326,720.54
Total assets	<u>\$ 94,088.48</u>	<u>\$ 326,720.54</u>	<u>\$ 420,809.02</u>
LIABILITIES, EQUITY AND OTHER CREDITS			
Liabilities:			
Total liabilities	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Equity and other credits:			
Investment in fixed assets		326,720.54	326,720.54
Fund balance - unreserved - undesignated	94,088.48		94,088.48
Total equity and other credits	<u>\$ 94,088.48</u>	<u>\$ 326,720.54</u>	<u>\$ 420,809.02</u>
Total liabilities, equity and other credits	<u>\$ 94,088.48</u>	<u>\$ 326,720.54</u>	<u>\$ 420,809.02</u>

See accompanying notes & accountant's compilation report.

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Lafourche Parish, Louisiana
GOVERNMENTAL FUND - GENERAL FUND**

**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures,
and Changes in Fund Balance
For the Year Ended December 31, 2002**

	<u>2002</u>
REVENUES	
Grant	\$ 37,000.00
Interest revenue	1,172.64
Building rental	300.00
Dues	110.00
Donations	<u>2,018.00</u>
Total revenue	<u>\$ 40,600.64</u>
EXPENDITURES	
Accounting fees	650.00
Communication fees	714.64
Bank fees	280.18
Supplies	603.61
Telephone	827.50
Donation expense	200.00
Postage & shipping - office	148.68
Equip repairs & maintenance	474.02
Fire fighting equipment	803.38
Building repairs	882.28
Coventions & meetings	1,050.46
Dues	91.00
Small tools & equipment	1,721.00
Flowers	291.60
Fuel	263.22
Insurance	10,220.04
Maintenance	3,396.23
Miscellaneous	183.01
Repairs	1,648.80
Utilities	3,117.93
Capital outlay	<u>11,133.00</u>
Total expenditures	<u>\$ 38,700.58</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	\$ 1,900.06
FUND BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>92,188.42</u>
FUND BALANCE AT END OF YEAR	<u><u>\$ 94,088.48</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

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FIRE COMPANY, INC.
Lafourche Parish, Louisiana**

**Notes to the Financial Statements
As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2002**

INTRODUCTION

The Lafourche Crossing 308 Volunteer Fire Company, Inc. (Fire Company) was organized as a non-profit corporation as defined by Revised Statutes of Louisiana Title 12, Section 101 (8). The Fire Company is exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c) (4) of the Internal Revenue Code. Its objective is to provide fire protection to Fire Protection District No. 7 of the Parish of Lafourche (District). The District comprises and embraces all of the territory contained within Police Jury Ward 5 less and except the area of said Police Jury Ward contained within the City of Thibodaux, Louisiana. The following territory is not included within the boundaries of the District: That part of Police Jury Ward 5, Lafourche Parish, outside the corporate limits of the City of Thibodaux, Louisiana, which lies west of Louisiana Highway 20. The Fire Company's finances are primarily a grant from the District which is generated from ad valorem taxes on property located within the District's boundaries. At year end the Fire Company employed no employees.

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Basis of presentation

The accompanying financial statements of the Fire Company have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

B. Reporting entity

Section 2100 of the GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards (GASB Codification) established criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and component units that should be included within the reporting entity. The Fire Company is not a governmental unit although it receives a substantial amount of its revenue from Fire Protection District No. 7 of the Parish of Lafourche. As a result of a contractual agreement, the Fire Company is accountable to the District for fiscal matters. The District does not appoint the governing board, nor management, and it does not influence the operations of the Fire Company. Therefore, the Fire Company reports as an independent reporting entity.

C. Fund accounting

The Fire Company uses funds and account groups to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain governmental functions or activities.

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A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. On the other hand, an account group is a financial reporting devise designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities that are not recorded in the funds because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial resources.

The only fund of the Fire Company is classified as a governmental fund type. The governmental fund accounts for the Fire Company's general activities, including the collection and disbursement of specific or legally restricted monies, the acquisition or construction of general fixed assets, and the servicing of general long-term debt. The governmental fund of the Fire Company includes:

General Fund - the general operating fund of the Fire Company that accounts for all financial activity, except those required to be accounted for in other funds.

D. Basis of accounting

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. The governmental fund types are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. The operating statement presents increases and decreases in net current assets. The Fire Company's records are maintained on the cash basis of accounting. However, the financial statements have been converted to the modified accrual basis of accounting using the following practices in recording revenues and expenditures:

Revenues -

Revenues are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting, and therefore, recognized when they become both measurable and available to pay current expenditures.

Expenditures -

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred.

E. Memorandum Only columns

The total columns captured "Memorandum Only" are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations, or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

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F. Encumbrances

The Fire Company does not use encumbrance accounting.

G. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash includes amounts in interest-bearing demand deposits and time deposits.

H. Inventories

Physical inventories consist of expendible supplies held for consumption. Because inventories are expended within one operating cycle they are recorded as expenditures when paid for and are not recorded as an inventory asset.

I. Fixed assets

Fixed assets are recorded as expenditures at the time purchased or constructed, and the related assets are capitalized (reported) in the general fixed assets account group. Interest cost incurred during construction are not capitalized. No depreciation has been provided on general fixed assets. All fixed assets are valued at historical costs or estimated cost if historical cost is not available.

J. Long-term obligations

Long-term obligations are reported in the general long-term obligations account group. Expenditures for principal and interest payments for long-term obligations are recognized in the governmental fund when due. The Fire Company had no long-term debt at December 31, 2002 and no related expenditures.

NOTE 2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

At December 31, 2002, the Fire Company has cash (book balance) totaling \$ 94,088.48 as follows:

Hibernia Bank	
Checking (interest bearing)	\$ 12,615.70
Checking (interest bearing)	2,542.17
Tower Gold Savings	78,930.61

Total	\$ 94,088.48
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These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at

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all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities must be held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. At December 31, 2002, the Fire Company has \$ 94,169.48 in deposits (collected bank balance). These deposits are secured from risk by federal deposit insurance.

NOTE 3. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

There were no accounts payable at December 31, 2002.

NOTE 4. LEVIED TAXES

Fire Protection District No. 7 of the Parish of Lafourche is authorized to and has levied a 12.7 mill ad valorem tax. The District made a grant to the Fire Company for \$ 37,000.

NOTE 5. CHANGES IN GENERAL FIXED ASSETS

A summary of changes in general fixed assets follows:

	Balance December 31, 2001	Additions	Deletions	Balance December 31, 2002
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Land, Building and Equipment	\$315,587.54	11,133.00	0.00	\$326,720.54
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NOTE 9. LITIGATION AND CLAIMS

At December 31, 2002 the Fire Company had no litigation or claims pending.